DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

United States Standards for Feed Peas, Split Peas, and Lentils

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is reviewing the United States Standards for Feed Peas, Split Peas, and Lentils under the Agriculture Marketing Act (AMA) of 1946. To ensure that the standards and official grading practices remain relevant, GIPSA invites interested parties to comment on whether the current U.S. Standards for Feed Peas, Split Peas, and Lentils are meeting the needs in today's marketing environment.

DATES: GIPSA will consider comments received by [insert date 30 days from date of publication in <u>Federal Register</u>].

ADDRESSES: You may submit your written or electronic comments on this notice to:

- Mail, hand deliver, or courier: Irene Omade, GIPSA, USDA, 1400 Independence
 Avenue, SW., Room 2530, Washington, D.C., 20250-3604.
- *E-mail comments to:* comments.gipsa@usda.gov
- Fax: (202) 690-2173.
- *Internet:* Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

All comments will become a matter of public record and should be identified as "Feed Peas,

Split Peas, and Lentil Comments," making reference to the date and page number of this issue of

the **Federal Register**. Comments will be available for public inspection in the above office

during regular business hours (7 CFR 1.27(b)). Please call the GIPSA Management and Budget

Services at (202) 720-7486 to make an appointment to read comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly A. Whalen at USDA, GIPSA, FGIS,

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Fax Number (816) 872-1258; e-mail Beverly. A. Whalen @usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

GIPSA will solicit comments for 30 days. All comments received within the comment

period will be made part of the public record maintained by GIPSA, will be available to the

public for review, and will be considered by GIPSA before final action is taken on the proposal.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq.

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